

MINUTES
HUMAN SERVICES COUNCIL MEETING

Iron County – Southwest Center
245 East 680 South, Cedar City

Tuesday September 8th, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Barbara Robinson
Ms. Cary Faye

Commissioner D. Maloy Dodds
Mr. Arthur Cooper

Commissioner Lois L. Bulloch
Ms. Marsha Perkins
Ms. Minnie Pittman

Mr. Fayann Christensen
Mr. Wallace Gibson

Commissioner James Eardley
Mr. Kent Heideman

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Beth Cottam
Ms. Brenda Mckee
Ms. Nora Perkins

EXCUSED:

Commissioner Daniel W. Hulet
Commissioner Donald J. Willden
Ms. Deon Alvey
Jill Willey

REPRESENTING:

Beaver County Community Rep.
Beaver Co. Low Income Rep.

Garfield Co. Commissioner
Garfield Co. Community Rep.

Iron County Commissioner
Iron County Community Rep.
Iron County Low Income Rep.

Kane Co. Low Income Rep. (Representing Tim)
Kane Co. Community Rep

Washington Co. Commissioner
Washington Co. Community Rep.

FCAOG Deputy Director
FCAOG Staff
Iron County Care and Share

Kane Co. Commissioner
Beaver Co. Commissioner
Garfield Co. Low Income Rep.
Washington Co. Low Income Rep.

The Human Services Council was held at the Iron County Southwest Center, 245 East 680 South, Cedar City on Tuesday, September 8th, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Lois Bulloch called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. She conducted the meeting during the absence of Commissioner Hulet, who was excused. Commissioner Bulloch asked everyone to introduce themselves. It was declared there was a quorum present.

II. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JULY 14th, 2009 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Art Cooper to approve the July 14th minutes and was seconded by Commissioner James Eardley.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

III. NEW COUNCIL MEMBER POSITIONS

Ms. Beth Cottam commented that there has been a hard time trying to replace Ms. Lois Lamb as Kane Co. Low income Representative. Mr. Wallace Gibson has been approved to represent Kane County through the November meeting. Ms. Jill Willey has recently become employed and is unable to attend today due to her job training schedule. We may be looking for another Council replacement for Washington County.

IV. COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT SUB-CONTRACT PROVIDER UPDATE

Ms. Minnie Pittman announced that the board is very busy interviewing for a new director of the Iron County Care and Share. Mr. Bill Woods was terminated as director. The Care and Share is in the interviewing process for a new director as well as a new Case Manager. There were 100 applicants for the positions. The new Case Manager position will be hired with the ARRA money to work with Support Service Case Management.

Ms. Cottam announced that Kane County rejected the ARRA stimulus money. Commissioner Hulet requested Beth Cottam to come up with options for the use of the Kane County funding to present to the Human Service Council. She reviewed three scenarios with him this morning during a phone call he made indicating he was not able to attend the meeting. During the conversation, Commissioner Hulet accepted the three scenarios and prioritized them. A copy of the scenarios and Commissioner Hulet's prioritizations was passed out to Council members. Council Member discussion favored supporting his first choice of awarding the funds to New Frontiers for Families to provide Support Service Case Management in Kane County, which was the original intent of the funding.

A motion was made by Commissioner James Eardley to accept the recommendation for New Frontiers for Families to receive the \$29,833 ARRA money for use in Kane County and was seconded by Commissioner Maloy Dodds.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mrs. Cottam indicated there were ongoing discussions regarding the ARRA funding allocated to the Millcreek Young Parent Program. There have been some challenges in implementing the programming due to school district fiscal issues making certain district salary compensations were managed appropriately. If monies are not used by the program, they will come back to the Council for further determination.

V. DBA FACS PRO DATABASE AND ROMA (Results Oriented Management and Accountability)

Ms. Cottam announced an upcoming training for the database system implementation to assist community partners in becoming more fully functional to make use of the system. Most of the providers have client's information input into the system. The training will show the case managers how to use the family matrix which shows areas where the family is thriving, in crisis or vulnerable. The Support Service Case Managers will also be shown how to create an action plan and work with the families individually to assist with their needed self sufficiency goals. The database will assist in showing outcomes which the client has achieved working toward self reliance. The database system will then generate reporting information correlated with the national ROMA outcome indicators.

VI. FAMILY DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST CERTIFICATION TRAINING (SEPTEMBER 15th - 17th)

Ms. Cottam informed the council that there will be a Family Development Training September 15th – 17th in Cedar City. Commissioner Eardley suggested that we also train all of the Support Service Case Managers how to use the coupon system. A power point presentation will be put together and given to all the case managers working with the stimulus money. The case managers will then be able to teach their client's how to use coupons so that their food costs may decrease. The case managers will also be trained on the resources that are available within the community to best help their client's needs.

VII. HUMAN SERVICE COUNCIL ANNUAL PRIORITIZATION OF NEEDS

Ms. Cottam handed out the 2007, 2008, and 2009 prioritization of needs for everyone to look at. Commissioner Bulloch asked each person to suggest a need for 2010.

Ms. Barbara Robinson shared research information about a survey that she did on education in the Beaver County area. She went to businesses and asked what qualifications they would like to have in their employees. Ms. Robinson asked about how many of the employees had high school diplomas. There were 8 out of 10 businesses that said they didn't care because they would not have to pay the employee as much money.

Commissioner Eardley shared that energy development is a great need. Ms. Robinson responded that there is a great need for affordable housing. Ms. Marsha Perkins agreed that there needs to be more affordable housing. Ms. Pittman shared that we need more public awareness and community involvement. Mr. Kent Heideman discussed there has been an increase in substance abuse. Mr. Art Cooper also agreed with Commissioner Eardley that energy development is a great need. Ms. Fayann Christensen spoke about a tremendous need for transportation in the rural areas especially for the seniors and those with disabilities. Commissioner Bulloch also feels there is a need for energy development. This is the list of the 2010 top ten prioritization of needs that was agreed upon by the Council.

- 1a. Energy Development
- 1b. Economic Development
- 3a. Employment
- 3b. Education / Training
5. Seniors

6. Affordable Housing
7. Substance Abuse (Prescriptions)
8. Public Awareness / Community Involvement
9. Health Care
10. Transportation

A motion was made by Ms. Pittman to accept the prioritization of needs and seconded by Ms. Fayann Christensen.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VIII. OTHER

Ms. Barbara Robinson announced that there was a truck accident. The truck was carrying a lot of produce that would go bad if not picked up. She called the Care and Shares to come get some food out of the truck so that it could be distributed through their distribution pantries to those in most need.

Ms. Minnie Pittman shared that in August the Iron County Care and Share received 39,000 + pounds of food. The Care and Share distributed 47,000 + pounds of food. The majority of the people that come into the Care and Share are repeats each month. There is an increasing need for food assistance. Donations have been a great need because there is more food being distributed to families at the Care and Share than the Care and Share is receiving from the food bank. Ms. Pittman introduced Nora Perkins, she has been helping to fill in with additional business tasks at the Iron County Care and Share.

A request was made for Ms. Brenda McKee to prepare a report of food boxes and poundage served at the Care and Shares for the past year and bring to the next human service council meeting.

Ms. Cottam suggested that in the future if a council member is unable to attend a meeting, the council member try and find a replacement to attend the meeting in their place so we can be certain to have a quorum.

IX. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 10th, 2009 beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Five County Association of Governments Building in St. George.

X. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Art Cooper and seconded by Mr. Wallace Gibson.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY